IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-24 (Canceled).

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25.   (Currently Amended) A user-adaptive variable-environment system comprising:

a computer provided with an operating environment and a user recognizing unit; and

an information storage medium to be applied to the user recognizing unit, the information

storage medium being portable and is an ID card serving as a password;

wherein the information storage medium stores all of user-environment information about

environment suitable for a user, said user-environment information includes at least one of a type

of an OS, a language in which information is to be displayed, usable application software and a key

layout, and includes at least one of a dedicated operating system, dedicated application software, a

dedicated keyboard layout and a dedicated display language;

the user recognizing unit reads the user-environment information stored in the information

storage medium and changes the operating environment of the computer so as to fit with the

user-environment information; and

the information storage medium is automatically and directly readable by the user

recognizing unit while being inserted into the user recognizing unit.

26.   (Currently Amended) A user-adaptive variable-environment system comprising:

a computer provided with an operating environment and a user recognizing unit;

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an information storage medium to be applied to the user recognizing unit, the information

storage medium being portable and is an ID card serving as a password;

the information storage medium stores all of user-environment information about

environment suitable for a user, said user-environment information includes at least one of a type

of an OS, a language in which information is to be displayed, usable application software and a

key layout, and includes at least one of a dedicated operating system, dedicated application

software, a dedicated keyboard layout and a dedicated display language;

the user recognizing unit reads the user-environment information stored in the information

storage medium and changes the operating environment of the computer so as to fit with the

user-environment information; and

the information storage medium is automatically readable by the user recognizing unit while

being in a position near to but apart from the user recognizing unit.

27.   (Currently Amended) A user-adaptive variable-environment system comprising:

        a computer provided with an operating environment and a user recognizing unit; and

        an information storage medium to be applied to the user recognizing unit, the information

storage medium being portable and is an ID card serving as a password;

        wherein the information storage medium stores user-environment information about

environment suitable for a user, said user-environment information includes a type of an OS, a

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language in which information is to be displayed, usable application software and a key layout, and

includes a dedicated operating system, dedicated application software, a dedicated keyboard layout

and a dedicated display language;

the user recognizing unit reads the user-environment information stored in the information

storage medium and changes the operating environment of the computer so as to fit with the

user-environment information, and

the information storage medium is automatically and directly readable by the user

recognizing unit while being inserted into the user recognizing unit.

28. (Currently Amended) A user-adaptive variable-environment system comprising:

a computer provided with an operating environment and a user recognizing unit; and

an information storage medium to be applied to the user recognizing unit, the information

storage medium being portable ~~and is an ID card serving as a password~~;

wherein the information storage medium stores user-environment information about

environment suitable for a user, said user-environment information includes a type of an OS, a

language in which information is to be displayed, usable application software and a key layout, and

includes a dedicated operating system, dedicated application software, a dedicated

keyboard layout and a dedicated display language;

the user recognizing unit reads the user-environment information stored in the information storage medium and changes the operating environment of the computer so as to fit with the user-environment information, and

the information storage medium is automatically readable by the user recognizing unit while being in a position near to but apart from the user recognizing unit.

Claims 29-30 (Canceled).

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31.   (New) A user-adaptive variable-environment system according to claim 25, wherein the information storage medium stores user-environment information about environment suitable for a user, said user-environment information includes a type of an OS, usable application software and a language in which information is to be displayed, and includes a dedicated operating system, dedicated application software and a dedicated display language.

32.   (New) A user-adaptive variable-environment system according to claim 26, wherein the information storage medium stores user-environment information about environment suitable for a user, said user-environment information includes a type of an OS, usable application software and a language in which information is to be displayed, and includes a dedicated operating system, dedicated application software and a dedicated display language.

33.   (New) A user-adaptive variable-environment system according to claim 25, wherein the information storage medium stores user-environment information about environment suitable for a user, said user-environment information includes usable application software and a language in which information is to be displayed, and includes dedicated application software and a dedicated display language.

34.   (New) A user-adaptive variable-environment system according to claim 26, wherein the information storage medium stores user-environment information about environment suitable for a user, said user-environment information includes usable application software and a language in which information is to be displayed, and includes dedicated application software and a dedicated display language.

35.   (New) A user-adaptive variable-environment system according to claim 27, wherein the information storage medium is an ID card serving as a password.

36.   (New) A user-adaptive variable-environment system according to claim 28, wherein the information storage medium is an ID card serving as a password.